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No. 3

College Course for Disabled Soldiers

Will Receive Pay and Allotments--May Study Professions

Extensive education of disabled soldiers, who will receive their future training at the expense of the Government, has been started under the guidance of the Federal Board for Vocational Education. To date, half a dozen men who have been under treatment at this hospital, have been recommended for a course of study at various schools and colleges and will take up their studies as soon as they can make the trip.

While the plans are not worked out in their entirety, it is known that any disabled soldier who shows a desire for higher education and who applies himself while a patient in a reconstruction hospital, may make arrangements for further education. He will then be sent to a school for a year, at least, or he may continue several years and complete a professional course, provided his work during the first year justifies his continuance in school.

Recently one of the disabled men attending salesmanship classes in our school showed such marked ability and such a liking for salesmanship, that he was recommended for an extensive course in salesmanship at New York University. While studying there he will receive \$65.00 per month, and any allotments which he was paying while in the Army, will be continued.

The announcement of the recommendation of this disabled man, as well as half a dozen others, should be of special interest to many patients in this hospital who hold the belief that if they show proficiency in school they will be kept here, instead of being discharged from the Army. Such rumors are untrue, of course, the intention of the Army authorities being to discharge the men as soon as possible.

Francis S. Collier and H. J. Thayer, of the Division of Rehabilitation of the Federal Board, are spending Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of each week at this hospital where they are interviewing patients who have been recommended for discharge. They are devoting considerable time to those desiring further education or training.

SGT. ALLISON PROMOTED.

Sergeant First Class Ira S. Allison has been promoted to the rank of hospital sergeant, on orders dated December 4.



MAJOR FRED ALBEE, M. C. Chief of the Surgical Service

New Detachment Mess Room Opens, Relieving Crowds

Sunday proved to be a big day for the enlisted personnel of the Post for on that day the Detachment mess hall, located between Barracks 1 and 5, was opened for permanent use. If the first few meals and the service to date are indicative of what is to follow, the men may consider themselves decidedly in luck.

The new arrangement gives the men a mess hall of their own and relieves them of the necessity of using the Patients' mess hall. For the last few weeks the Patients' mess has been overcrowded and the K. P.'s were put to a heavy task in trying to handle the various shifts. Present arrangements are causing expressions of satisfaction on all sides.

The arrival of 68 new men on Saturday made it possible to provide the help necessary in the new hall.

Sergeant Inglese is in charge.

Detachment Promotions Fill Quota; 72 on Staff

With the December 1 announcement of promotions in the Medical Detachment, the quota of non-comsioned officers for this hospital is filled and there can be no futher promotions unless it is for the purpose of filling vacancies. There are now 72 non-commissioned officers in the Detachment and this figure is the quota of a 1600-bed hospital. The provision does not prevent, however, this promotion of non-commissioned officers and first class privates to a higher rank.

The quota of 72 does not include the Quartermaster Corps, the Motor Transport Corps nor the staff of the Reconstruction School.

The following are the latest promotions in the Medical Detachment:

To be Sergeants First Class: Ser-

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"Bone Graft" Expert Chief of Surgeons

Major Albee, of No. 3, Works to Save Limbs of Wounded --Helped Found Hospital

In considering the achievements of U. S. Army General Hospital No. 3, the name of Major Fred Albee, M. C., Chief of the Surgical Service, must be one of the most important factors. He, himself, acquires his greatest satisfaction from realizing that he is devoting his entire time to the important affairs of the largest orthopedic hospital in the country, while the hospital and its population feel that one of its greatest distinctions lies in having the Major at the head of its surgical department.

A brief resume of the great work Major Albee is performing and of the responsibilities which are his will give some idea of the satisfaction experienced by No. 3. It has been said in Washington that this hospital has the largest orthopedic-surgical vice in the United States. Certainly the magnitude of the work is stupendous for of the average patient population of 1,500, at least 1,300 are surgical patients. Upon the Chief of the Surgical Service depends the entire structure. Under him and directly reporting to him are the Orthopedic service, the general surgery department, the Orthopedic workshop, the artificial limb service, the neurologist, the anaesthetist, the X-ray department, the eye, ear, nose and threat departments the department. and throat departments, the dental and the various surgical The smoothness with which service wards. these varied departments operate and the large successes accomplished by them, testifies to the ability-both surgical and executive-of the head of the system.

It is quite natural that bone graft surgery—the field in which Major Albee gained world-wide attention while in civil practice-should be the distinguishing feature of the work carried on at General Hospital No. There are dozens of wounded soldiers today who, but for the bone graft operation, would have suffered the amputation of a limb, the loss of a jawbone or permanent injury to spine. Through this branch of surgery, which Major Albee has perfected, it is possible to remove a part of the shin bone, graft it into a bone in another part of the body and thus restore the injured member to normal condition without impairing the ultimate strength of the shin bone.

Over in the military hospitals in France, where the wounded are re-

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Non-Coms Form Club; Elect Sgt. Federman

Will Promote Acquaintanceship and Provide Pleasure -- Meet Mondays.

Non-commissioned officers stationed at this hospital, held a meeting on the evening of December 4 and began the organization of a Non-Commissioned Officers' Club. Its purpose is to bring the men in closer contact with each other and to provide entertainment for the non-commissioned officers during the coming months.

Captain Spiegel, Commander of the Detachment, and Lieutenant Sammons, of the Physical Therapy Department, attended the meeting and offered suggestions for the organization of the club. At the invitation of Lieutenant Sammons, the first meeting was held in the Physical Therapy gymnasium, and it has been decided that all further sessions of the club will be held there. Captain Spiegel has shown great interest in the club and is devoting his best efforts toward seeing that the club enjoys an active existence.

Sergeant Harry A. Federman was elected president of the NCO Club. Other officers are Sergeant Ira S. Allison, vice president; Corporal Joseph E. Cleary, secretary; Sergeant Claude Haughawout, treasurer; Corporal William E. Conway, historian; Sergeant E. A. Davidson, athletic di-

The second meeting held on the evening of December 9, was for the purpose of considering constitution and by-laws. The committee, consisting of Sergeant Aubrey C. chairman; Sergeant Loren H. Crabtree and Sergeant J. H. Keethler, submitted its report, which will be voted upon next Monday night.

The executive committee, consisting of the President, and Sergeants Charles H. Lawrence, Davidson and Nat J. Albert, is preparing club plans which will be announced at an early

The appointment of Sergeant First Class William C. Durning, Medical Department, to the grade of Hospital Sergeant, has been announced by the Commanding Officer. Sergeant Durning is the purchasing agent in the department and his success in that work has won him this latest distinction.



All Bandaged Up and No Place to Go.

SCHOOL NOTES.

A course to prepare soldiers to pass the United States Civil Service examinations is being organized at this school. This includes mainly a thorough review of the common school branches with instruction in such additional subjects as the particular examination may demand. With the special allowance of ten points that the Government gives in Civil Service examinations a little study should put a discharged soldier in line for a good appointment. Come down to see us.

Every honorably discharged soldier of Uncle Sam should be able not only to speak but to read and write the language of United States. We have a severely wounded offcer, despite his injuries, works who. faithfully every day instructing Won't you co-operate by these men. seeing that these men are guided to the school.

Can you drive an auto? Are you qualified for a chauffeur's license? If not come down to the school and leave your name for the course in auto-driving and auto-repairing.

"I can place any competent linotype operator in a position paying from \$35,00 to \$40.00 a week," said a representative of the Mergenthaler Company.

"Will you give us a machine for the school?" said Major Johnson.

'Yes, and train a man to teach it if you will send him to Jersey City."

'How long will it take?" "About a month." So the machine is coming.

Mr. Smith, of the Motor Car Equipment Company, has presented the school with a Rayfield carbureter for the purpose of demonstration and study.

Boland Brothers, Rahway, have given a truck load of automobile parts for use in the auto repair shop.

Lieutenant H. T. Moore, S. C., has been added to the staff of the Educational Service. Lieutenant Moore comes from Camp Cody, N. M., where he has been in charge of the psychological work. In civil life he is a member of the faculty of the University of Minnesota.

There is a good chance for a disabled soldier and his wife to take charge of a small country place for a New York physician. Any one interested may inquire of Major Johnson at the school.

Dr. John Gordon, of New York City, who is living in Colonia during the period of his son's treatment in the hospital, is giving instruction in English each morning. Dr. Gordon has two sons in the service, Lieut. John H. Gordon, a patient in this hospital, and another who is a captain on the staff of the First Army in France. Dr. Gordon himself was formerly president of Howard University in Washington, D. C.

PRIVATE BALLOU DIES.

Private Arthur E. Ballou, Co. H, 9th Infantry, a patient at this hospital, died at noon, December 9, of empyema, following a gunshot wound in the left hip. He was 25 years, 11 months old. He is survived by his widow and his father, Frank Ballou. Private Sirmans accompanied the body to Exira, Iowa.

RED CROSS.

of Italy's The moving pictures flaming front, showing battle events on land, sea and in air on the Italian fighting front, were given at Red Cross House, Tuesday evening. pictures were favorably received.

On Wednesday evening, December 4, the Young Women's Hebrew Association of New Brunswick rendered their minstrel show at Red Cross House under the auspices of the Jewish Welfare Board. The entertainment was a huge success. The girls distributed cigarettes to the boys after the show.

Thursday evening, December 5th. the War Hospital Entertainment Association of New York, Julian A. Martin entertainment director, personally in charge, furnished their regular entertainment of vaudeville for that evening. Every number was enthusiastically received. Maude Raymond was delightful, as ever, with her songs. The sailors from Pelham Bay nearly brought down the house. The one-act play, "Moonshine," was distinctly interesting, and was admirably done.

Christmas Eve, at General Hospital No. 3, will be anything but a dull affair, according to the plans being made by W. B. Carlock, the entertainment director of the Red Cross.

Mr. Carlock is working in conjunction with Weston Gales, 231 South Broad street, Elizabeth, N. J., of the Mercy Committee.

An appeal is made to the nurses, officers and men who can help in carol singing to send their names to Mr. Carlock at he Red Cross House, or to Mr. Gales at his Elizabeth ad-If the weather on December 24 is fair the singing will take place out of doors in some open spot where the entire Post population may gather. In case of inclement weather the event will be offered in the Red Cross

K. OF C.

The steam heat is now on in the cozy K. of C. hut and all is ready for the winter season. All are invited—corps men, patients. officers, nurses.

The program on December 2 was provided by the Rahway Council, No. 884, Royal Arcanum. The performers were from the Lyceum Bureau, New York.

Eagles' Aerie, No. 667, of Elizabeth, gave a smoker in the hut on December 4. An excellent musical program was offered.

The latest model Victrola has been presented to the hut by the Ladies Auxiliary, Ancient Order of Hibernians, of Elizabeth.

THE BLUEBIRD.

There was a bunch of Bluebirds Who would a-nursing go, One autumn day, in gay array, To Rahway came, you know.

There was a jolly soldier, Who met each quaking lassie, He packed them in his Ford of tin And thought they were quite classy.

There rose an awful yammer, In fact, a mighty clamor, For at least a week-how they did eat-

And the Army lost its glamor.

But now the Merry Bluebirds Are filled with joy and glee: Their daily life is filled with strife, Yet they simply shout, "Oh, Gee!"

CHAPEL SERVICES.

The distance of the Chapel from the hospital wards has been assigned as the principal cause of poor attendance in the past at chapel services on Sunday mornings. Arrangements have been made through the Commanding Officer for the use of the gymnasium of the Physical Therapy building for Chapel services during the winter months. This order went into effect Sunday, December 8. Kindly give the points below the attention which the dignity of Divine Worship demands.

1. WHAT? There are Chapel

services at this post.

WHY? To help you to render to God the things that are God's.

WHERE? In the gymnasium of the Physical Therapy Building.

WHEN? On Sunday mornings. At 8:30 mass will be said for Catholics. At 10:30 Post services (undenominational) will be conducted.

Y. M. C. A. OPENING WEEK
The new Y. M. C. A. building is being opened this week with the following program:

Wednesday, December 11-Formal opening and dedication; speaker, Dr. Henry B. Cobb.
Thursday, December

Thursday, December 12—The Montclair Camp Committee presents the Montclair Glee Club and the Montclair Players.

Friday, December 13-Installation of the new moving picture apparatus, with feature play.

Saturday, December 14—Gymnasium stunt night, closing with basketball game.

AN ORGY IN ORGANDY.

O, there was a student nurse, And she had a silver purse, Which she kept stowed away Inside a pocket. But she had to take it out, And there isn't any doubt, That to buy those student caps She had to hock it!

H. H. B.

Y. M. C. A.

Secretary McKay, of the Y. M. C. A., announces the arrival of C. A. Burnham, the new athletic instructor who will have charge of the recreational department of the new build-Mr. Burnham was formerly at the Base Hospital Y. M. C. A., Camp Upton, New York.

BASKETBALL.

The first basketball game of the season will be on Wednesday evening, December 18, between the Medical Detachment and the Q. M.'s. Corporal Cleary, the coach, is urging all candidates for the team to turn out for practice, in the Y. M. C. A. gym, next Monday evening at 9 o'clock.

OFFICERS' CLUB DANCE.

Members of the Officers' Club gave a dance at which the graduate nurses were guests, on Tuesday evening. The new Y. M. C. A. auditorium was the scene of the party. An orchestra consisted of patients, played. A buffet luncheon was served.

Private Page, of Ward 7, considers himself a popular man. He finds his name on every page in the magazinesand papers.

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THE SOLDIERS WHO NEVER SAW FRANCE.

Some two million men, who through the workings of fate, have had no opportunity of seeing foreign service, will give thanks for Secretary Baker's splendid letter of December 3, in which he expresses indignation that certain comedians and paragraphers should make unjust discrimination between the oversea men and those kept at home by the Government. The letter says:

"These boys who have fitted themselves for overseas service, and then demonstrated such high qualities that they could not be spared from home, deserve something better than to be made the butt of jokes by comedians. * * * They have given as loyal and patriotic service as those who went abroad, but have been denied what their hearts were set upon—an opportunity to serve on the field of battle. There ought to be no discrimination against them by reason of the accidents of fortune which retained them here."

In more than one training camp, the signing of the armistice was viewed with sorrow by many individuals who saw in it an insurmountable obstacle to the accomplishment of their ambitions. They viewed it as an act, which, while promising early release from military life, yet offered none of the coveted tokens in exchange for the big sacrifices they had made. It seems particularly unjust, therefore, that these men who have been doing such fine work, and were preparing for the greater field, should be the victims of such jibery, especially when offered by certain members of a profession which was treated with such fulsome leniency in the essential industries decision.

DODGING . THE BRASS BANDS.

Whatever may be said of the eccentricities of the convalescent oversea soldier, he, at least, cannot be charged with a fondness for relating his personal experiences nor a desire to parade in the public eye where the gold chevron is an ever-ready herald. Organizers of Liberty Loan campaigns and solicitors of war funds, who have "borrowed" patients from convenient hospitals will testify that the average wounded solder dislikes, with great

intensity, the glare of the spotlight, the tumultuous applause and the adoring gaze of the civilian population. Not that they are shy or purposely retiring. Nor are they lacking in enthusiasm for the campaign, whatever it may be. They long to have it over with, however, so they may return to their fellows and their respective wards where trench talk is discarded in favor of athletics, politics, love, food, home, and other delectable topics.

Accost one of them at the railroad station and he will tell enthusiastically of the work done by his particular regiment; but he will assume a different attitude the minute the civilian offers to button the olive drab overcoat over the bandaged arm or bestow any other personal attention. In his overcoat pocket, sharing the space with matches, a time table, cigarette papers and an old envelope containing precious 'phone numbers, is quite likely to be the crumpled certificate which went with the Croix de Guerre. It is not in danger of seeing the light of day except when the owner is smoking or telephoning; then if he shows it, he will be nervous until he has stuffed it back into darkness.

It isn't timidity; it isn't lack of good fellowship; perhaps it is just characteristic.

THE RED CROSS CARRIES ON.

Scarcely had the wild outbursts of the peace celebration begun to subside than the Red Cross—"the organization before which the world stands in thrilled and loving admiration"—began the working out of an admirable plan whereby the work may be carried on in peace time by means of a nation-wide membership campaign.

The hundreds of men who have enjoyed the ever present aid of the Red Cross, at this hospital, will have ready appreciation of what great good is accomplished by this organization even when war is not being waged. The emergencies of epidemic, explosion, earthquake, famine, fire, flood, cyclone and shipwreck are ever threatening—and there is but one organization which may always, in all places and regardless of the nature or location of the catastrophe, be depended upon to offer relief at the earliest possible moment. That organization is, of course, the Red Cross. In the San Francisco earthquake, the Titanic disaster, the Dayton flood, the Eastland wreck, the Messina earthquake, the Halifax explosition and the recent influenza epidemic the Red Cross was faithful and efficient. In the days of the peace to come there will be other disasters which will bring death and distress. In such times the Red Cross again will perform its great work of relief. The Red Cross will not be demobilized.

FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE SOLDIER.

It must have been a distasteful task which Secretary Baker imposed upon himself, when, upon the arrival of the troops from abroad, he found it necessary to issue an appeal to civilians asking them not to give intoxicating liquor to the men. Needful it must have been, or the Secretary never would have interjected his solemn appeal into the celebrations of the day.

Friends of the soldiers are reminded that the giving of intoxicating liquor to a man in uniform is contrary to law, a breach of military discipline and an injury to the returning troops. They will have difficulty enough in maintaining their mental equilibrium in the midst of the prevalent joy. The use of alcoholic stimulant may prove fatal to the soldier's future. Then, too, there is the immediate danger of unsoldierly conduct, for, as the Secretary says, "A drunken soldier is a disgrace to his uniform, an insult to the flag, a shame to himself, and a danger to the community. No loyal citizen who has the interest of the men at heart will offer them the temptations of inebriety."

The Junkers seem to be returning to first principles—junk.

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Even though the soldier's pay is not large, the ceremonies of receiving it are very impressive.

It's a blow to a man when, after being appointed a Private, First Class, his girl takes his sleeve ornament for a pen-wiper.

SO LONG, NURSE!

I have often wondered what there is that I can say, Or how I'm going to thank you when it's time to go away;

And there comes that same old feeling, a-stealing from my heart

As when I stood before my Mother when the hour came to part.

You've been to me a Mother ,though we never met before,

You've taken tender care of me (what mother could do more?)

But when I try to thank you for the good that you have done

My lips will only tremble and my tongue seems stricken dumb.

But the memory of your kindness will never fade away,

And I pray to Him above that I'll live to see the

When I'm able to reapy you—and you and I'll be scuare—

But to leave you with just "Thank You" doesn't seem exactly fair.

And so I write these verses as a token of esteem; I hope you understand me and know just what I mean.

For really I am grateful though no fitting words
I find

That are good enough to tell you just what I have in mind.

So I must say the same as others, on the parting day.

Just "So long, Nurse," and then they go on their way.

But these few simple words mean more than I can tell.

Well, "So long, Nurse"—'tis a soldier's fond fare well.

-Howard Renton Tappen.

"Bone Graft" Expert Chief of Surgeons

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ceived after being returned from the firing line, scores of cases are la-belled "Albee operation." This This means that the patient will be sent to the States as soon as possible and many will be assigned to General Hospital No. 3. where Major Albee and his staff will make every effort (and usually with entire success) to restore the injured limb to full use-

The great European War will be entered in medical history as the first conflict in which it was possible to avoid amputation in case of extensive loss of bone. It was the custom, previously, to amputate immediately When it was seen that the bone in an arm or leg had been seriously affected. In these days, such a course no longer is necessary. The diseased bone is removed and the patient is transferred to some hospital where the benefits of the bone graft opera-tion may be had and the limb may be restored to its former usefulness.

The book; "Bone Graft Surgery," Which Major Albee wrote, is the only one of its kind and has found earnest students in all parts of the civilized Likewise the instruments, Which the Major has devised for use in these oerations, are universally recognized and used.

Major Albee's interest in General

Hospital No. 3 is more than that of a Chief Surgeon, for he may well be termed the moving spirit in the foundation of this hospital. A year ago (June 2nd, 1917), when he was an active member of the Advisory Council of the Surgeon General's office, he was the first to suggest plans for the foundation of a hospital on this site and he recommended the location as ideal for a hospital. At that time there was little realization of the large amount of hospital space would be required. The first plans, in fact, called for a 100-bed hospital. Through the generosity and patriotism of Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Freeman, their residence was to be converted into a hospital. Later it was decided that a large place would be needed and it was decided to erect a special building capable of accommodating 500 patients. Then the number was raised to 1,000, and finally to its present capacity of 1,600. The early plans were formulated and the selection of the personnel was begun by Major Albee under the combined auspices of the Surgeon General's office and the Red Cross. It was designated Reconstruction Hospital No. 3, and later changed to its present title.

In the present structure, the operating pavilion, X-ray rooms and laboratory stand as the direct result of plans personally drawn by Major Albee. He provided for the placing of the X-ray rooms in the operating pavilion and the wisdom of the move has been confirmed repeatedly by the effective co-operation of the X-ray department with the surgeon, during the numerous operations being performed daily.

Detachment Promotions Fill Quota; 72 on Staff nounced December 7:

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geant John C. Ingelse, Sergeant Benjamin Maslon.

To be Sergeants: Corp. William H. Bode, Corp. Harold E. Compton, Corp. Gerson H. Cross, Corp. Orbra B. Jones.

To be Corporals: Class Alonzo L. Barkdull, Percival T. Buskey, Joseph E. Cleary, William E. Conway, Byron Fisher, Earl Raab, Arthur L. King, John J. Harburger, Serop H. Tavitian, James R. Tilford, Harold E. Turner.

To be Cook: Pvt. Hovsep Michaelian.

To be Privates First Class: Pvt. Giovanni Appolonia, Pvt. David Bernstein, Pvt. Isadore Bruzel; Pvt. Mark T. Calhoun, Pvt. Arthur Castellano, Pvt. William Dean, Pvt. Cori Caspare, Pvt. Allen S. Hays, Pvt. William Hoffman, Pvt. George C. Honold, Pvt. Jacob Isakoff, Pvt. Abraham Kaplan, Pvt. Harry H. Karras, Pvt. John E. Keon, Pvt. Max Kramer, Pvt. Frank J. Kissel, Pvt. George Laird, Pvt. Raymond Lazelle, Pvt. James M. Love, Pvt. John Lukpetris, Pvt. Grover C. McCartney, Pvt. James A. Mc-Gee, Pvt. Harry F. Miller, Pvt. John M. Mulchay, Pvt. Harry M. Rathbun, Pvt. Joseph Raznovitch, Pvt. Raymond Schneider, Pvt. Patrick Thorn-

Sergeant John A. Gillies and Corporal Emanuel N. Christomas are deas Mess Sergeants, effective tailed this date.

Additional Promotions.

The following promotions were an-

To be Sergeant, first class: Ser-

geant Homer C. Holland.

To be Sergeant: Corporal Aubrey C. Graham.

To be Corporal: Private First Class Oscar B. Jones.

GALES FROM GREEN GABLES

More Occupational Aides! Hurrah, the more the merrier.

Miss Cassa Andrus arrived week from Cleveland, Ohio, and is spending most of her time getting the work started in Ward 9. pottery

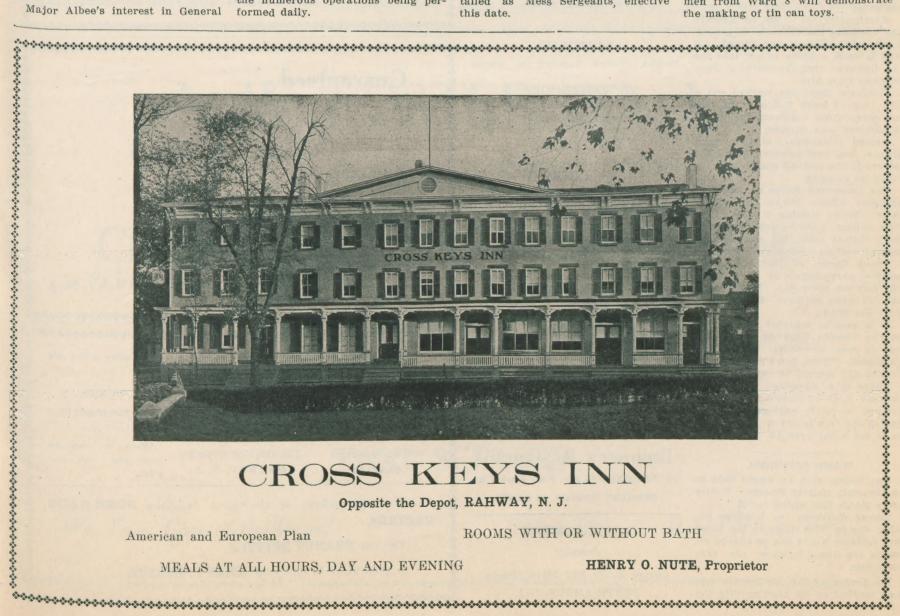
Thursday saw the arrival of Miss Shirley Charles, a head aide, and four assistants, Miss Jennie Turner Miss Ethel West, Mrs. Grace Casson, and Miss Frances Judson, who were sent us from the Walter Reed Hospital of Washington.

We extend a hearty welcome.

The first exhibit of craft work done by the patients of General Hospital No. 3 is being shown in New York at the National Arts Club, 119 East 19th street.

Much interest and wonder was expressed last week by the people who viewed the men's work. Sgt. Sproul, of Ward 28, demonstrated the making of wooden toys. Pvt. Webb, Ward 1, demonstrated the tooling of leather for boxes and book ends, while Pvt. Silga, Ward 4, painted gift shop The exhibit was in charge novelties. of Miss Hight and Miss Stafford.

This week, beginning Wednesday, Miss Quill, Miss Lambert and three men from Ward 8 will demonstrate the making of tin can toys.



BARRACK BUNK.

Sergeant Tryholm is recovering from a hair cut inflicted by his former friend, Corporal Bud Fisher.

Cyclone Bill" Busky, our popular postmaster, says there has been a powerful drop in postage stamp sales since the quarantine was lifted.

Corporal Druck, our telephone magnate, is thinking of having a direct line run to the T. A. B. S. Hall in Elizabeth, to accommodate all the calls between 5 and 7 p. m.

Julius Caesar Gordon, of the receiving ward, says he is not responsible for the signs over that way. One says "No Admitton" and another "Registars Office."

The missing Street Sisters-Virginia and Pearl-continue among the lost. Roberts and Precht are looking for Pearl.

Sergeant Masion's four stripes reach from shoulder to wrist. His neck is reserved for the fifth.

Bessman—Think there's chance of finding clam in that chow-

Bernstein-About as much chance as there is of finding an Irishman working in the dispensary.

Corporal Rosenberg, holder of the medal for the Man Who Talks the Most, has accepted the challenge is-

sued by Sergeant Iannatti.

Mike Carltock has promised to swing the entire vote of his Ward in favor of an immediate discharge.

Laudenslager has hit upon the happy scheme of having the girls call him by his Army Serial Number, 4205313, when they can't remember his name.

Karstendiek, en route to Rahway and realizing the difficulty of getting a lift, tried strategy and limped. He was in such a hurry to get into the car, however, that the machine limped away from him.

S. Shock Hays has worked out a new plan of bunk fatigue: In winsleep from sundown to sunup; in summer, vice reverse.

Harold Cameron, of ye print shoppe, has quit grieving over failure of the football season and has taken up dancing.

The Observing Nurse reports that Sergeant Allison shows love symp-While writing a letter to a Fair Friend, quite recently, he carefully blotted each line even though he was writing with a lead pencil.

Frank Lynch, of the Garage Gogetters, participated in an automobile race the other day. He averaged only 82 miles an hour—and how the time did drag.

It is easy to see that the tourists on the Lincoln Highway know the war is over, according to Private Hamilton. "They don't give a guy a tumble any more," he says.

There is a guessing contest in Barrack 1, as to Calloway's age. 5:45 a. m., he is, anyhow, 82, while during the free hours of the evening he is not a day over 16.

WARD BOOMERS

Dan Driver says he would hate to every man's first initial is "M."

Rowan delivered

Rowan delivered a message the other day to Miss Gates to the effect that Rodams would not be able to rehearse the dance because his arm hurts him.

Pat Lester, of the Air Service, has been notified of his election into the

Amalgamated Mule Drivers' Association, in recognition of his work in France.

The patients are fearful that Miss Waller will keep her threat and start a course in Scrubology.

William James, alias Pennsy Pete, is always late, except when it is his time for treatment at the Physical Therapy.

Corporal Stone is buying a tailored uniform. This is the first tip his friends had tht it was to be a military wedding.

Sam Shapiro's father, who keeps a second hand store in New York, is going to Germany to buy the Kaiser's uniforms. Wild Bill boasted 57 suits before the allies placed a banana peel in front of his throne.

William J. Tower, en route to the trenches, was paying his first visit to a French store. All the children were talking French and trying to make him understand. Tower remarked to his friends, "Isn't it great how all these children can speak foreign lan-

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